

Disaster Unemployment Assistance Available in 25 Counties + Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Following Hurricane Helene

Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA) benefits are available if you lived or worked in the following counties:

Alexander	Alleghany	Ashe	Avery	Buncombe
Burke	Caldwell	Catawba	Clay	Cleveland
Gaston	Haywood	Henderson	Jackson	Lincoln
Macon	Madison	McDowell	Mitchell	Polk
Rutherford	Transylvania	Watauga	Wilkes	Yancey

People who lived or worked in the above-listed counties who are unemployed as a direct result of Hurricane Helene may be eligible for unemployment benefits under the DUA program.

The deadline to apply is **December 2, 2024.**

DUA is a federal unemployment program that provides temporary payments for people who, as a direct result of Hurricane Helene:

- No longer have the job that provided their primary source of income.
 - Are unable to reach their place of unemployment.
 - Cannot work because of an injury caused by the storm.
- Were unable to begin employment or self-employment due to the storm.
- Have become the major supplier of household income due to a storm-related death of the previous major supplier of household income.

For more information, go to www.des.nc.gov/dua or call:
DUA English – 919-629-3857 | DUA Spanish – 919-276-5698